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The Inn-Spectors - our Infant Production for 2022

In order to allow as many parents / carers as possible to attend the Infant Nativity, we have taken the decision to add an extra evening performance this year. The performances are now on Tuesday at 2pm and Wednesday and Thursday at 6.30pm.

On the evenings of Wednesday and Thursday, we are asking for the children to be in school by 5.45pm in their school uniforms. (5.45pm so they have time to get changed etc. - in uniforms as they are named - so if lost when they take them off - we can find them!!)

Please see the School App for more details and to book your ticket(s). We appreciate that this extra evening performance will be tiring for the younger children, so will be understanding of those needing a lie-in on the following morning. Sorry to be a pain - but we expect Key Stage 2 children in at the usual time of 8.55am.

Reception pupils, who do not have speaking parts, are allowed to only attend one performance if preferred. Please let Mrs Warburton know which one in advance.

I apologise - but we cannot accommodate Stepping Stones joining us for the Dress Rehearsal on 5th December - as this would result in too many people being in the hall at any one time.

Infant Production Costumes

Please can these be in school by tomorrow so that the children can rehearse for the production with their costumes on.

Celebration Worship

Last Friday was a lovely Celebration Worship - with lots of people doing brilliant things!! Well done to the children who made it to the Bench, they were...

Reception	Hugo
Year 1	Matilda D and Louis B
Year 2	Freya
Year 3	Izobel
Year 4	Tommy
Year 5	Harry S
Year 6	Hannah and Ava H and Talia
Head teacher Award	Isaac in Year 6

Parents' Evening - Autumn 2022

Just a reminder that this year's Autumn Term Parents' Evening is on **Wednesday 30th November** or **Thursday 1st December**. You should get your appointment time(s) very soon using ClassDojo.

On Thursday 1st December we will be holding face to face sessions in the hall - with social distancing between parent(s) and teacher if preferred. In the hall, the teachers will discuss how your child has settled into their Year Group, and perhaps any next steps your child has to help them move on in their learning.

If you have booked an appointment, on the Wednesday evening, from 5.30 until 8.00pm, the teachers will ring you instead of a face to face discussion.



Please remember that, when your child's class teacher rings, it will come up as 'withheld' or 'unknown number'.

Church Christmas Raffle

The Church usually sell raffle tickets at our Friends' Christmas Market. As we are not holding one this year - we have some Raffle Tickets in the main office for sale. They are priced at £1 each - or you can buy a full book. First prize is a Food Hamper worth in excess of £100!!

A Change to Year 6's SATs week...

I received this notification last Friday:

'An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8 May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary.

Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- *Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)*
- *Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper*
- *Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)*
- *Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)"*

Christmas Lunch - 14th December 2022

A reminder that, on Wednesday 14th December, we are holding our School Christmas Dinner.

The menu consists of:

Traditional Roast Turkey with Chipolata Sausage

or

Roast Quorn Fillet with Vegetarian Sausage

all served with Roast and Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy.

Dessert is Chocolate Chip Shortbread or Fruit (served with Water or Organic Milk)

We would like to invite one adult for each family to also attend the lunch - I'm afraid that it can't be any more than this due to the number of people we can have in the school hall at any one time. This also includes pre-school children as they count as a person so we can't invite you and your little one - sorry!!

If your child pays for a meal, the cost of the meal is £2.40. An adult meal costs £3.75.

If you would like your child to have a Christmas Lunch on the 14th please go onto ParentPay and book a school meal for your child on that day. Adult meals also need booking through parent pay - look for 'Adult Christmas Lunch'. Bookings need to be made by noon on Friday 2nd December.

If your child receives a free school meal - or is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 - they will automatically get a meal - unless you let us know otherwise.

We will be having 2 sittings - one at 11.45am (for those children who do not have a brother or sister in the school, and then the second at 12.30pm for siblings to eat together.

Friends' Christmas Disco

This year the Christmas Disco will be held on Wednesday 14th December. Doors will open at 6:30pm and children are to be collected at 8:00pm. Parents and Carers of younger children are welcome to stay, but unfortunately we can only accept children who attend the school at the event. Contact forms will be sent out separately, please ensure you complete these prior to the disco to speed up entry on the night.

If you are able to help at this year's Christmas disco please get in touch via friends.pta.tht@gmail.com or speak to one of the PTA members on the playground. Many thanks for your support with this event.

IKEA Kallax Unit

Do you have an old 4x2 Kallax Unit that you no longer need?? - if so we would love to have it in school!! We are not worried about the colour...

We are 'doing up' our old ICT room and would use it for storing phonics materials in.

If you have the boxes or baskets to go in each shelf - even better.



Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2023??

Do you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023 - then for Lancashire resident families you need to apply for a Primary School place, even if an older brother or sister is already attending your preferred school/academy.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (or simply click [here](#)).

This already went live on 1st September 2022. It is quick and easy to use and offers an e-mail receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you hit the "submit" button when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application.

The closing dates for Primary applications for September 2023 are at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2023.

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen B. Smith'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a horizontal line.

Stephen B. Smith
Headteacher

Did you know...

Father Christmas is known as many different names...

English: Father Christmas and Saint Nicholas

American-English: Kris Kringle and Santa Claus

French: Père Noël

Spanish: Papa Noel

German: Weihnachtsmann

Italian: Babbo Natale

Portuguese: Papai Noel

Saint Nicholas is also called Nicholas the Wonderworker. According to on website, he was born in Turkey, and he died in Turkey, but he was Greek. Among many other things, **St Nicholas is the patron saint of children, sailors, merchants and brewers**. The whole tradition of Father Christmas / Saint Nicholas bringing Christmas presents came from St Nicholas' habit of giving gifts to people in secret.

CHRISTMAS DISCO



WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER

6.30PM - 8PM



£3 SUGGESTED DONATION